In the Claims

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Previously Presented) A chain module for a modular chain conveyor, comprising a substantially sheet-shaped body part provided with a conveying face located at an upper side of the body part, with hinge holes included in the body part and with two projections provided at the underside of the body part, while sliding faces located at the sides facing each other of the projections, together with a sliding face located between the projections at the underside of the body part form a longitudinal guide with a substantially U-shaped cross section, wherein the projections have been provided at a distance from the sides of the body part and that adjacent the projections, at the underside of the body part, sliding faces are located, each forming, with sliding faces located at sides facing away from each other the projections, a longitudinal guide with substantially L-shaped cross section.

2. (Original) A chain module according to claim 1, wherein the hinge holes extend along a front and rear side of the module and wherein the cross section of the holes at the front and rear side differs per side at least locally.

3. (Previously Presented) A chain module according to claim 1, wherein the hinge holes together extend over at least the entire width of the body part.

4. (Previously Presented) A chain module according to claim 1, wherein adjacent the front or rear side of the module, at least one side of the body part, an opening of a hinge hole is located.

5. (Previously Presented) A chain module according to claim 1, wherein the body part is provided at a front or rear side with two bulging hinge loops with a recess located therebetween and wherein, on the opposite side, the body part is further provided with a bulging hinge loop formed correspondingly to the recess

6. (Original) A chain module according to claim 5, wherein the sides of the guiding projections facing each other are each contiguous to the recess between the bulging hinge loops.

7. (Currently Amended) A chain module for a modular chain conveyor, comprising a substantially sheet-shaped body part provided with a conveying face located at an upper side of the body part, with hinge holes included in the body part and with two projections provided at the underside of the body part, while sliding faces located at the sides facing each other of the projections, together with a sliding face located between the projections at the underside of the body part form a longitudinal guide with a substantially U-shaped cross section, wherein the projections have been provided at a distance from the sides of the body part and that adjacent the projections, at the underside of the body part, sliding faces are located, each forming, with sliding faces located at sides facing away from each other the projections, a longitudinal guide with substantially L-shaped cross section ~~A chain module according to claim 1~~, wherein two bulging hinge loops on the one side of the module are each provided with a coaxial hinge hole with substantially identical, constant cross section and wherein a hinge loop, correspondingly formed with a recess, is provided at the opposite side with a slotted hole with a cross section which is at least equal to and, over at least a part of the cross section, is greater than the cross section of the cylindrical holes.

8. (Previously Presented) A chain module according to claim 1, wherein the space between the sides of the projection facing each other for including a central projection of a guide bend segment is clear of obstructions.

9. (Previously Presented) A chain module according to claim 1, wherein the sliding faces at the sides facing each other of the projections extend substantially transversely to the underside of the body part.

10. (Previously Presented) A chain module according to claim 1, wherein the sliding faces at the sides facing each other of the projections converge from the body part.

11. (Previously Presented) A chain module according to claim 1, wherein, at a part of the front or rear extending between the projections, the body part is provided with a driving face.

12. (Previously Presented) A chain module according to claim 1, wherein the sliding faces on the sides facing away from each of the projections other extend substantially transversely to the underside of the body part.

13. (Previously Presented) A chain module according to claim 1, wherein the height of the body part between the underside and the conveying surface is 12.8 mm.

14. (Previously Presented) A chain module according to claim 1, wherein at least the body part and the projections are manufactured from plastic material.

15. (Previously Presented) A modular chain comprising a series of successive modules according to claim 1 which are coupled with the aid of hinge pins reaching through cooperating hinge loops.

16. (Original) A modular chain according to claim 15, wherein the hinge pins extend substantially over the entire width of the body part.

17. (Original) A modular chain according to claim 16, wherein the hinge pins are manufactured from magnetic or magnetizable material.

18. (New) A chain module for a modular chain conveyor, comprising:

a bled having an upper side extending between outer bled sides and including hinge holes;

a first projection provided at an underside of said bled and spaced inwardly from one of said outer bled sides, said first projection having a first side and a second side;

a second projection provided at said underside of said bled, said second projection being spaced from said first projection and spaced inwardly from the other of said outer bled sides, said second projection having a first side and a second side, wherein said first side of said first projection faces said first side of said second projection and said second side of said first projection faces away from said second side of said second projection;

a sliding face formed on each of said first and second sides, between the projections at the underside of the bled, and between each of said projections and each outer bled side, said sliding faces on said first sides and said underside of said bled between the projections forming a longitudinal guide with a substantially U-shaped cross section and said sliding faces located on said second sides and between each of said projections and each outer bled side forming longitudinal guides with a substantially L-shaped cross section.